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Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56 and 1.97, applicants hereby
make the following documents of record in the above-identified
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The aforementioned documents are listed on the accompanying Form PTO/SB/08 (submitted in duplicate). Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(d) the required copies of the above-identified foreign patent documents are enclosed herewith. It is respectfully requested that these documents be: (1) fully considered by the United States Patent and Trademark Office during examination of this patent application; and (2) printed on any patent that may issue on this patent application.

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Consideration of the foregoing in relation to this patent application is respectfully requested.

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exemplary display 500 that can be shown in response to selecting the SOD service of section 408. See Goode, col. 9, lines 4-27. Consistent with the definition of "SOD service" cited above, list 502 of FIG. 5 appears to present only categories of on-demand programming in response to a user selection of section 408. Nowhere does Goode show or suggest providing a media indicator for scheduled media in response to selecting section 408 of menu 400.

Accordingly, applicants respectfully submit that Goode neither shows nor suggests providing a plurality of media indicators in response to the user selecting a media group option, where the plurality of media indicators includes a first media indicator for scheduled media and a second media indicator for unscheduled media, as defined by applicants' independent claims 84, 109, 134, and 159.

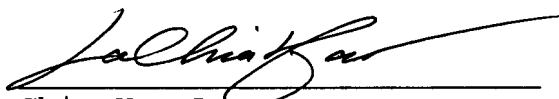
Hendricks, which was applied by the Examiner for the alleged teaching of specific elements of certain dependent claims, does not make up the deficiencies of Goode in failing to show or suggest the claimed invention.

For at least the foregoing reasons, applicants respectfully submit that independent claims 84, 109, 134, and 159 are patentable. Accordingly, each of dependent claims 85-108, 110-133, 135-158, and 160-183 is also patentable at least because it depends, directly or indirectly, from a patentable independent base claim. Applicants respectfully request that the rejections of claims 84-183 be withdrawn.

Conclusion

For at least the reasons set forth above, applicants respectfully submit that this application is in condition for allowance. Prompt consideration and allowance of this application are respectfully requested.

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